PERSIA — Myrtle J. Staats, was born at Pleasantville. She lived in Nebraska a few years, then moved to Co. Bluffs from rural Persia in 1967. Mrs Staats was a member of St. John's Lutheran church in Persia, and a member of the L.C.W. She was also a member of Postal Employees of Co. Bluffs. Mrs Staats was a past matron of the Neola Eastern Star, and had served as Worthy Matron of an OES Chapter in Cedar Bluffs, Nebr. Mrs Staats died Aug. 18, 1974, in a Co. Bluffs hospital after being a patient three weeks, at age 91 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband - Jack in 1970. Survivors include a daughter Mrs Kathryn Gordon of Co. Bluffs; a son - Harold of Sunrise Beach, Mo.; five grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday Aug. 21, 1974 at Woodring Chapel in Co. Bluffs, Rev. Dale Bard, pastor of Emmanuel church of Co. Bluffs officiated. Burial was in Ridgewood Cemetery.